

Crawford Co. Directory.

OFFICIALS.
 Sheriff, J. H. Hume.
 Clerk, J. J. Bell.
 Register, Wm. Putnam.
 Treasurer, G. M. Davis.
 Prob. Atty., A. H. Swarthout.
 Judge of Probate, A. Taylor.
 Of Coroner, M. J. Connine.
 Surveyor, E. Newman.
 Coroners, W. H. Sherman & W. Haynes.

SOCIETY MEETINGS.
 M. E. Church, Rev. G. S. Weir, Pastor. Services at 10 o'clock A. M. and 12 o'clock P. M. on Sunday. Meetings at 10 A. M. and Sunday School at 12 M. Prayer Meeting every Thursday evening at 7:12 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

GRAYLING LODGE, No. 356, F. & A. M. meets in regular communication on Thursday Evening, on or before the full of the moon. The present members are fraternally invited to attend.
 J. O. HADLEY, W. M.
 A. TAYLOR, Sec.
 MARVIN POST, G. A. R. No. 340, meets the 2nd Saturday in each month.
 O. J. BELL, Post Com.
 J. J. CONNINE, Adj.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY.
MRS. T. W. MITCHELL & CO.
 Milliner and Dress-maker,
 GRAYLING, MICH.

Wallington & Swarthout,
 ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS.
 REAL ESTATE AND LOAN OFFICE,
 Andre Block,
 SAGINAW CITY, MICH.

MAIN J. CONNINE,
 Attorney at Law,
 GRAYLING, MICH.

F. F. THATCHER, M. D.,
 Physician and Surgeon,
 Office in Dr. Taylor's Store, Residence first corner East of Court House.

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The Grayling House is conveniently situated, being near the depot and business houses, is well built and furnished throughout in first-class style. The attention will be paid to the comfort of guests. This simple room for commercial travelers.

HANSON HOUSE,
 Grayling, Mich.
 THOS. E. HANSON, Prop'r.

This house is located conveniently near the depot, and is well furnished. Livery stable kept in connection. Tourists, business men, and others are invited to take rooms at any part of the year.

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 Pine timber lands located after correct estimates given. Trespasses estimated and collected. Surveying done in all its branches.

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HELP for working people. Send 10 cents postage and we will mail you a copy of a book that will tell you the way to make money in a few days. This book is sold at 10 cents. Capital not required. Send 10 cents to J. L. Wilcox, Grayling, Mich. for a copy.

Crawford Co. Avalanche

O. PALMER,
JUSTICE AND RIGHT.
PUBLISHER AND PROPRIETOR
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A Husband Raffle.
 A young Frenchman of fine family though impoverished by the revolution, aspired to a post under the government, to occupy which it was necessary to furnish a certain sum to deposit as security. Our hero could not obtain the requisite amount from his friends, and at last hit upon an expedient to put an easy end to the difficulty. He caused an advertisement to appear in one of the journals, as follows:
 "A young man, occupying an humble position, wishes to marry a lady, well brought up, and possessed of 250 francs."
 Two hundred and fifty francs are about \$500, and as there are many women in the world who would be glad to purchase a young, handsome and honorably-connected husband on such moderate terms, it was quite natural that the advertiser in the course of three days, during which his notice appeared in the public, should have received many letters and applications.

The young man addressed a note to each of the applicants, appointing a place and hour when he should meet them all together, and politely inviting all to come and look at him.
 "The evening, indicated came, and in a room crowded with about 200 women. When all had assembled the young man "organized the meeting," and made a speech in which he thanked these ladies for the honor they proposed conferring upon him. "But," said the self-proclaimed young man, "you must understand, ladies, perfectly well, that I cannot marry you; all more over, you are all so charming (many of them were French beauties) it would be utterly impossible for me to choose amongst such lovely creatures. This, then, is my proposition: Consider me as an object up at lotteries. You number 200; make 200 tickets, at 250 francs (\$500) each, and the gross sum realized shall be the fortune of the lady who draws the lucky number, and whom I pledge to marry immediately. They hesitated a moment, but the youth was good looking, and the ladies were anxious to marry. One of them determined to accept the proposition, and the rest followed like a flock of sheep. As it is to reward the venturesome fellow for his courage, his fortunate stars directed that he should fall to the lot of a youthful and pretty girl, whose greatest fault is an unhappy passion for practicing on the piano. True to his word, the young man married her, and by last accounts, the couple strangely brought together were passing a pleasant honeymoon.

Catching a Ghost.
 Three ghosts have been frightening the women and children of the quaint little village of Mysic on the Sound, eight or ten miles east of this city, for several weeks. Women and girls were at first pursued almost nightly by a tall white figure that rose up suddenly from the wayside and seemed to their excited fancy to float swiftly on the wind toward them. They sped down the street closely chased by the apparition and dashed into their homes out of breath and full of fear. At length the terror became so general that few women and girls ventured out of their homes after dark, and when they did so hurried along the roads, often turning an afflicted glance over their shoulders lest the three ghosts might steal on them unawares.

Next a company of young men was organized to lay in wait with loaded shotguns for the ghostly disturbers of the peace, and several parties stayed out all night for a week or more, at different points about the village, lying in the frosted grass behind walls and fences, or in the shadow of midnight buildings. No specter appeared in the silent streets, and the watchers went home and thawed out in the chimney place with draughts of hot cider. Thereupon a committee of two or three young men arrayed themselves in hood skirts, dresses and bonnets, and after dark minced comically up and down the sidewalks hoping to allure the ghosts into purloining them.

For two nights the ruse was without result, but a few evenings ago one of the ghosts was tempted out. He sprang out of the shadows, and at first fled, leading the ghost on, until he suddenly wheeled, and throwing his arms around the ghost, held him in a merciless hug. The captive was lodged before a peasant, Justice, who had him locked up. The ghost was Albert C. Briggs, a pick of all trades of the village. He was sentenced to thirty days in jail for disturbing the peace. When the other ghosts are as unknown as Briggs refuses to expose them. "They have not been seen since his arrest," New York Sun.

State News.
 Clark Rockwell killed a bear three miles north of Blaine, which weighed 435 pounds.
 Vervine Harrington, a 3-year-old lad, was drowned through ice at Adrian, Friday.
 The amount of the lumber on the docks of Saginaw river saw mills is estimated at 600,000,000 feet.
 A traveling man from Detroit, named Smith, fell at the Kalamazoo rink, Saturday, and broke a leg.
 There are 668 prisoners at the state prison but Gov. Bagge still has over three weeks in which to reduce the number.
 John L. Smythe, treasurer of Roscommon, whose accounts were wrongfully reported as needing investigation, was absent in business in Canada, and his accounts are all right.

The New York World publishes this in its Washington correspondence: Senator Palmer of Michigan, who has an income of \$175,000 a year, is said to have purchased a chain in early youth to which he attributes much of his luck. This chain was made in Persia and secured by young Palmer during his three years' wandering in Spain, where he so injured his feet with long tramps that he has been able to wear only cloth shoes since. He said the other day that life was almost wholly made up of illusions. "The happiest man," says he, "is the one who has these illusions. There are only three real unhappinesses: things that you can get out of life, and the man who has these at the required intervals is as well off as the richest. The three things are a full stomach, a good suit of clothes and a bed to sleep in. Every thing else belongs to the realm of illusion."

Read and Reflect.
 My son, there's nothing on earth so mysteriously funny as a newspaper advertisement. The prime first, last and all the time object of an advertisement is to attract attention. It is never and never will be designed for any other human purpose. So the merchant waits till the busy season comes and his store is so full of customers that he can't get his hat off and then he rushes vertiginously. When the ad. comes along and there is no trade and he wants to sell goods so bad he can't pay his rent, he takes out his advertisement. That is, some of them do, but occasionally a level-headed merchant puts in a bigger one and accepts all the business, while his neighbors are making mortgages to pay their gas bill. There are times when you couldn't stop people from buying anything in the store if you planted a cross in the door, and that's the time the advertisement is sent out in its mission. It makes light work for the advertiser, for a chalk sign on the side walk could do all that was needed and have a half holiday's work in the week, but who wants to do hard work and should be sent out in the dull day when a customer has to be knocked down with hard facts, and kicked inexcusable with bankrupt reductions, and dragged in with irresistible slaughter of prices before he will spend a cent. That's the aim and end of an advertisement, my son. If you ever open a store, don't try to get them to come when they are already seeking out to the windows, but give them your advertisement right between the eyes of the dull season and you will be rich, own a fast horse and perhaps be able to smoke a good cigar once or twice a year. Write this down where you'll fall over it some day. The time to draw business is when you want business and not when you have more business than you can attend to already. —Ex.

Was Afraid He'd Stop.
 A young woman from the country was going by her sweetheart for breach of promise, and the lawyers were, as usual, making all sorts of inquisitive interrogatories.
 "You say," remarked one, that the defendant frequently sat very close to you?"
 "Yes, sir," was the reply, with a hectic flush.
 "How close?"
 "Close enough, so's one cheek was all the fifth room we needed."
 "And you say he put his arm around you?"
 "No, I didn't."
 "What did you say then?"
 "I said he put both arms around me."
 "Then what?"
 "He hugged me."
 "Very hard?"
 "Yes, he did. So hard that I came pretty near hollering right out."
 "Why didn't you holler?"
 "Cause."
 "That's no reason. Be explicit, please. Because what?"
 "Cause I feared he'd stop."
 The Court fell off the bench and had to be carried out and put under the hydrant for the purpose of resuscitation. —Chicago Tribune.

Public Notice.
 TO the Hon. Board of Supervisors of Crawford County, State of Michigan.
 We, the undersigned freeholders of the Township of Grove (comprising towns 26 and 27 N of R 1 W, and 26 and 27 N of R 2 W) do respectfully petition your Honorable Body to set apart the following described territory viz: Town 27 North of Range 2 West to be known and designated as the Town of Blaine.
 And we do further petition your Hon. Body that you may appoint the place for holding the meetings of said town of Blaine at the school house in district No. one.
 And we do further petition your Hon. Body that you appoint the following electors to be inspectors of the election: Wm. O. Bradford, Peter Abell, John Morgan.
 Annexed below you will find the necessary affidavits of having complied with the law in publishing and posting notices etc.
 Dated this 30th day of Sept. 1884.
 P. H. Strickland, Luther A. Smith, C. H. Wilcox, John Lewis, Jacob E. Young, H. Schuchter, S. B. Smith, George F. Auble, Jos. A. Warwick, Henry Mitchell, C. E. Cobb, Elmer Farnley, John Morgan, Jacob Leitchner, George Praddock, O. J. Bell, C. A. Larson, W. O. Bradford, John J. Welches.

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A FARM CHEAP?
 500,000 ACRES
 RICH FARMING LANDS FOR SALE.
 The lands of the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Railroad Company are now offered for sale at LOW PRICES AND ON LONG TIME.
 Saginaw river nearly to the Straits of Mackinac, and contain large tracts of farming lands as can be found in any part of the United States. Soil, black sand, covered with hard wood, maple, beech, ash, oak, etc., and well adapted to grain, stock and fruit growing. Soil, black sand.

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 PRICE OF FARMING LANDS FROM \$2.50 TO \$6.00 PER ACRE.
 Send for illustrated pamphlet full of facts and figures.
 Address: O. M. BARNES, Land Commissioner, Lansing, Mich.

A very sad occurrence took place just north of town, early Monday morning, resulting in the tragic death of Miss Annie Seelye by an accidental discharge of a rifle in the hands of Mrs. Fanny Irish. The ladies were shooting at a mark and Mrs. Irish, while occupying position, with the gun in her hands, in some way discharged it, the ball entering the right eye of Miss Seelye, causing death in a few hours, Kalamazoo.

Harrison Sutton, a pioneer of Clinton County, committed suicide at his farm near St. Johns, Saturday. He was at work, and was returning at night search was made for him. He was found Sunday morning in a swamp a mile from his house, with his neck horribly mangled by a pair of sheep shears. He was a leading local politician and leaves a large family. Financial embarrassment probably led to the deed.

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 July 10, 1884.

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 DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF
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 GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.
 July 17, 1884.

The Circuit Court for the County of Crawford
 (IN CHANCERY.)
 James S. Smith vs. LeRoy W. Wright. Notice of Sale by Public Auction. On the 11th day of December, 1884, at the Court House in the Village of Grayling in the County of Crawford, Michigan, at the front door thereof, in the Village of Grayling in the County of Crawford, Michigan, the following premises, described as follows: The north half (N 1/2) of the south east quarter (SE 1/4) of section 36, T. 26 N., R. 2 W., of the 3rd Range of the 2nd Meridian, containing 80 acres, more or less. Dated September 23, 1884.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
 U. S. LAND OFFICE,
 AT EAST SAGINAW,
 December 30th 1884.

MORTGAGE SALE.
 (FIRST PUBLICATION, SEPT. 11, 1884.)
 WHEREAS default has been made in the payment of money due on a mortgage made to the 17th day of December in the year 1883, as a condition of said mortgage, and said mortgage is held by the undersigned, Charles Doughty, of the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, to Edward W. Glynn of the City of East Saginaw, Michigan, and the undersigned is authorized by the mortgage to sell the premises mortgaged, he do hereby give notice that he will sell the premises at public auction, to wit: On the 11th day of January 1885, at 11 o'clock A. M. at the Court House in the Village of Grayling, in the County of Crawford, Michigan, the following premises, described as follows: The north half (N 1/2) of the south east quarter (SE 1/4) of section 36, T. 26 N., R. 2 W., of the 3rd Range of the 2nd Meridian, containing 80 acres, more or less. Dated September 23, 1884.

W. M. KENDRICK,
 ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE.
 Dated Sept. 11, 1884, W. M.

\$200,000
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ROLLER GRAIN DRILL.
 Appreciating the rights of our farmers in the line of agricultural implements, particularly suited to our soil, I have obtained the agency for the Roller Grain Drill, manufactured by Beck with & Lee, of Dowagiac, Mich. I first proved my faith by purchasing one for use on my own farm, which can be seen there, and I feel confident can be had at this office. I believe it to be just what we want for our low-land, and far superior to the old-fashioned drill.
 O. PALMER.

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